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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office communication mailed August 27, 2004, election of Figures 10 and 11 is hereby made, subject to traverse. Claims 1, 3, 7 and 9 read upon Figures 10 and 11.

Other than the existence of more than one embodiment, the Examiner has not indicated any reason for restriction. From a simple review of issued patents, claims directed to multiple embodiments are often included, and the mere existence of multiple embodiments is not a basis for restriction. In this regard, the Examiner has not indicated that the fields of search are different, that any extra effort would be required for searching or examination, or the like.

Thus, for patent office economics and efficiencies, the restriction requirement should be withdrawn.

Favorable consideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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